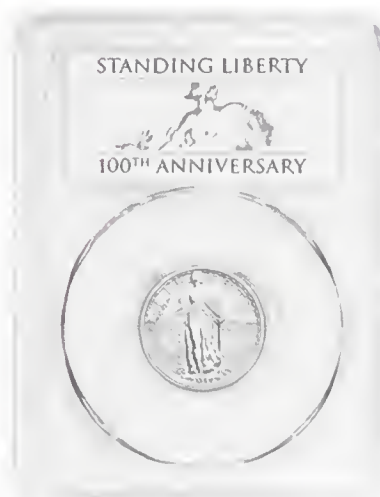
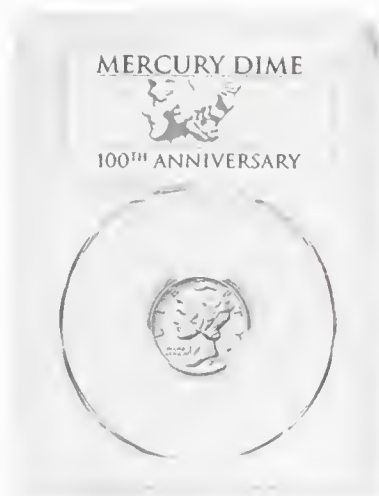


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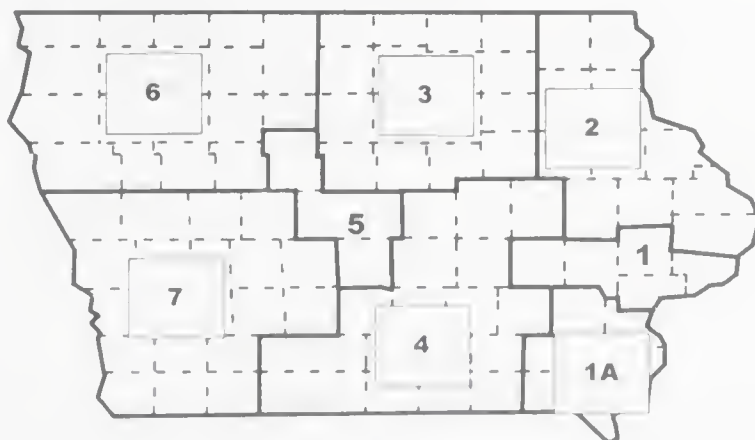
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### From the Editor

Would you like to see news of your club's activities covered in *The Iowa Collector*? The editor welcomes news of club happenings in the *Iowa Numismatic Association's* region. Send any information on your upcoming coin show, election of new officers and other club news and articles, prepared by club members, to the Editor. Include any photographs with your article, to make your story more interesting.

Send to: Editor, *The Iowa Collector*  
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## Presidents Message



*Dean Parr*

Fellow numismatists

I would like to thank the members of the INA for your support.

It is an honor to serve as president of this organization. A big thanks goes out to John Jackson and the Siouxland Coin Club for a great state show in Sioux City with some awesome educational opportunities. The all day CSNS seminar on Friday was wonderful. David Stark gave a great presentation on Large Cents on Saturday as well.

I started collecting coins in 1958 in the small town of Jefferson, Iowa. I collected by looking through pocket change and rolls of coins from the bank. There wasn't a coin shop in town. There was a gun show just once a year where a few coin dealers set up. Still, I found it fun and exciting to fill in my Whitman folders even though I never found much of anything very rare. However, I am still collecting 58 years later. When I compare what I see in our change now to what I remember seeing back it appears to me there is more fun to be had now than back then. I received a 1939 nickel in my junk mail last week. That is over 75 years old. The oldest coin I ever found in the 1960s was a 1910 Lincoln cent, that's only 50 years. Back then a nickel bought a full size candy bar or a bag of popcorn. Today those items cost fifty cents or more. Using the junk food standard if I could collect nickels as a kid today's kids should be able to collect quarters. If I look at the variety of quarters out there today it seems to me that there is plenty of interesting coins to collect from circulation. There are five designs a year now which makes them much more interesting to collect. So, maybe getting your grandkids a quarter book for Christmas might just spark an interest. The worst that can happen is they might save some money. You never know, maybe they will pick up a life long hobby like I did.

To me numismatics is all about learning. Whether you collect Lincoln Cents or ancient coins learning about them is as important as collecting them. There is more information at your fingertips now than ever before. If you collect tokens learn about who made them and why. There is much to be learned about how coins are made. The INA is a non-profit organization with a big emphasis on education and fair dealing. Share your knowledge and experience with your fellow coin members. Volunteer to give a presentation or help your local club put on a show. Numismatics is a great hobby so get more involved.

In closing, I wish you all a great year and I look forward to seeing many of you at various shows and meetings in the coming months.

Dean Parr

*President, Iowa Numismatic Association*

*INA President,*

*Dean Parr*



## From The Secretary's Desk

*Beverly Ashton*



Hello from Fort Dodge. As I'm writing this it is finally feeling like Fall. In fact a few places in Iowa had a little bit of snow recently. I'm not really ready for that but we'll just have to deal with that when it comes. The calendar says the end of the year is sneaking up on us, I don't understand where the time goes.

This next year (2017) we will be selecting Outstanding Numismatist. Please think this over and send in some nominations. The member clubs should discuss this and send in your choices. This really originated as an idea to shine a light on some fellow numismatist for the contribution they are making in our hobby. If you don't send us any nominations, the Board has to come up with some names on our own. We really don't want to do this on our own. Thank goodness the Presidential Elections are over. No more ads!!!

What are the markets doing? Right now gold spot is around \$1,208, with silver about \$16.50.

See you at the shows.....

Beverly Ashton  
INA Secretary/Treasurer

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### INA Board and Membership Meeting Dates

The INA officers hold three board meetings each year and one open membership meeting. These meetings are held in conjunction with a coin show. The annual board meeting is held during the INA's Annual Coin Show & Convention which is hosted by a different Coin Club each year. The INA's officers board meeting is held the evening of the first day of the INA coin show and the open membership meeting is conducted on the morning of the second day of the INA coin show.

Regular INA Board meetings:

February 25, 2017 at Coin-a-Rama, Nevada, Iowa

May 20, 2017 at Central Iowa Coin & Stamp Expo, Altoona, Iowa

October 21, 2017 at Annual INA Show, Bettendorf, Iowa

October 22, 2017 Open membership meeting, Bettendorf, Iowa

President John Jackson called the meeting to order. The minutes were read. Denny Ross motioned they be accepted, Ron Lashmit seconded and they were approved. The Treasurer's report was given with a balance of \$8,404.50 in the general fund. Don McCulloch motioned the report be accepted, Denny seconded and it was approved. Chris Seuntjens gave a report on how where we are having the show in 2017 is still so much up in the air. Chris was having a problem getting answers back from the places we were looking at and how it looks like our dates are taken.

There is still a chance with our second option if what they have penciled in falls through.

Beverly Ashton read off our newly elected INA board.

President - Dean Parr, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President - David Stark, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President - Brian Sparks, Secretary - Treasurer - Beverly Ashton, District 1 - Ron Lashmit, District 1A - Clarence Mitchell, District 2 - Dale Winter, District 3 - Don Wells, District 4 - Denny Ross, District 5 - Sam Ashton, District 6 - Don McCulloch, District 7 - Tom Flynn.

Regarding the INA to be slapping some of its coins, Don, John, Chris should look over the coins and see where we should start.

Several board members had talked with Mitch Ernst before the meeting about having a 501 c 3 designation for our non-profit. He is to be sending out some emails with what we need to do to get this done.

Chris brought up the idea that the INA should have a Face-book page. Brian Sparks says we already have one. He has already started one for us with Iowa Numismatic Association. We had quite a discussion about this and how maybe this could be an assigned duty of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.

John discussed how differing advertising strategies have been working for how the 3<sup>rd</sup> show he has put on in this area since this past summer. Ads on the internet seem to be doing the best right now.

Denny motioned we adjourn, Chris seconded and we adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Ashton

Secretary/Treasurer

Members present: Denny Ross, John Jackson, Sam Ashton, Chris Seuntjens, Bev Ashton, Dean Parr, Brian Sparks, Robert Simon, Clarence Mitchell, Ron Lashmit & Don McCulloch.



## From The Editors Desk



*Denny Ross*

Well, here we are at the beginning of a new year and I still haven't completed the projects I wanted to get done last year.

This looks to be an interesting year with the new government administration in place. It remains to be seen how the numismatic market will be affected by the new policies that will be put in place through-out the the next few months. Looks like it will be one of those wait and see situations.

Back to INA business: It's time to place your nominations for the Outstanding Numismatist Award. Select the individual that you feel has contributed much of their time and efforts to improve our great hobby. See page 21,of this issue of The Iowa Collector, for 'Award Criteria and Qualifications.'

Also , did you know that The Iowa Numismatic Association has a 'Face-book' page? You can check it out by going to the INA's web-site and clicking on, 'Check Out our Face-Book Page.'

Several coin shows will be happening over the next few months here in Iowa. Check the 'Events Calender' on page 12 of this issue of The Collector for information on shows happening near you and try to attend as many as you can.

I will be attending most all of the Coin Shows that are scheduled in the next five months. I look forward to seeing many of you INA members at many of these shows.

*Denny Ross*

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### INA Bylaws

The Bylaws can be viewed on the INA website <http://ina.ancientbus.org>.  
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**Burlington** ----- Fourth Tuesday, No meeting in Dec., Burlington Public  
Library, 210 Court St., 5:30 PM. Clarence Mitchell a (319) 752-6082

**Cedar Rapids** ----- Third Wednesday, 7:30 PM, Rockwell Main Plant  
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**Clarion** - Fourth Thursday, Pizza Ranch on Main St, 7:00 PM, Boyd LaRue  
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**Des Moines** -- First Tuesday, St. Marks Episcopal Church, 3120 E 24<sup>th</sup>, 7:00  
PM, Larry Carlberg a (515) 251-4031

**Fort Dodge** ----- Second Thursday, ICCC East Campus, 7:00 PM, Sam  
Ashton a (515) 573-3033

**Glenwood Coin Club** - Second Thursday, Glenwood Coin Shop, 13 North  
Vine Street, Suite 2, 7:00 PM, Tom Flynn (712) 527-4321

**Grinnell** ----- Second Monday, Community Center (Senior Citizens Room)  
7:30 PM, George Fowler a (641) 236-3549

**Hiawatha** ----- Fourth Wednesday (except June & July), Hiawatha Library  
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**Keokuk** ----- Third Thursday every month, Keokuk Public Library, 200  
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**Quad City (Moline, IL)** - Third Thursday, Calvary Lutheran Church, Avenue of the Cities and 29<sup>th</sup> St, 7:00 PM, Jeff Struve (309) 737-0206

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Thank you for your sponsorship!

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**Feb 19 Tri-State-Coin Show** - Diamond Joe's Casino, 302 Bell Street, Dubuque, IA (9-4) Richard Hilard (563) 557-7210

**Feb 25-26 Coin-A-Rama** - Gates Hall, 825 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Nevada, IA (9-5) (9-7) Kirk Nichols (515) 232-9222

**March 12 Cedar Rapids Coin Show** - Flks Lodge, 801 33<sup>rd</sup> Ave. SW, Cedar Rapids, IA (9-4) Mark Johnson (319) 651-3923 e-mail mark@mycoins.com

**March 12 Burlington Coin Club Auction** - Pazzz! Convention & Event Center, Hall 'B' 3001 Winnegard Dr., Burlington, IA (1 pm) Clarence Mitchell (319) 752-6052

**March 19 Port City Annual Coin Show** - The Rendezvous, 3127 Lucas Street, Muscatine, IA (9-4) Jim Burr (563) 262-9313

**March 19 Monthly Collectors Coin Show** - Hilton Garden Inn, 2702 Mid America Dr., Council Bluffs, IA (9-3) Ed Bishop (407) 720-3355

**March 25-26 Fort Dodge Coin Show** - Crossroads Mall, 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. S & 28<sup>th</sup> St. Fort Dodge, IA (10-6), (10-4) Sam & Bev Ashton (515) 532-3033

**April 2 Quad City Coin Club Annual Spring Show** - Camden Center, Camden Park and Route 67, Milan, IL (9-4) Jeff Struve (309) 737-0206

**April 9 Clarion Spring Coin Show** - Clarion High School, 111 Willow Drive, Clarion, IA (9-4) Boyd LaRue (515) 460-5681

**April 23 Waterloo-Cedar Falls Coin Show** - Waterloo Recreation Center, West Park & Commerce Streets, Waterloo, IA (9-4) Dennis Bracken (319) 231-8385

**April 16 Monthly Collectors Coin Show** - Hilton Garden Inn, 2702 Mid America Dr., Council Bluffs, IA (9-3) Ed Bishop (407) 720-3355

**April 30 Burlington Coin Club Spring Coin Show** - Pazzz! Convention & Event Center, Hall 'B' 3001 Winnegard Dr., Burlington, IA (9-5) Clarence Mitchell (319) 752-6052

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Cultivate fraternal relationships among coin collectors and students.

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How many different types of the \$1.00 gold piece were produced?

A. 1

C. 2

B. 3

D. 4

In what year did the 'D' for the Denver Mint first appear on a U.S. coin?

A. 1909

C. 1911

B. 1916

D. 1913

Answers to above inside back page

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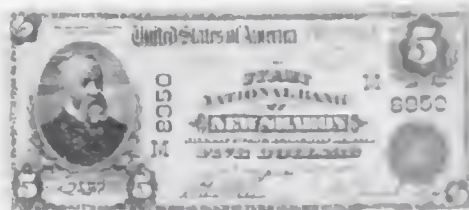
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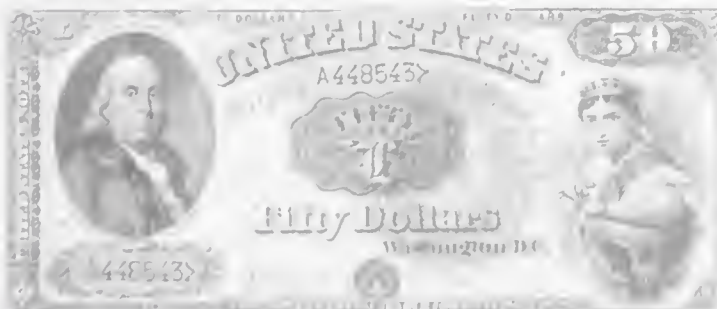
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Nominations should be, received in writing, by the INA Secretary prior to midnight on the above deadline. The nomination should include the candidates name and a brief summary of their qualifications.

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Nominees must be a living INA member in good standing with the organization for at least three years.

Recipients are eligible to receive the award only once every ten years.

### **Nominees will be evaluated on the following:**

1. Service to the INA and /or an INA endorsed club.
2. Promotion and/or propagation of the field of numismatics.
3. General Character and Reputation of Integrity and Honesty.

The nominees will be reviewed by the INA Board who will narrow the nominees to three finalists (candidates). A general election will be held by the INA to determine the final recipient from the three finalists. Only INA members in good standing will be allowed to vote in the general election. (Board members who are nominated must abstain from participation in the review and consolidation of candidates. They do retain the ability to cast their ballots in the general election once the three finalists have been chosen).

**The award will be a plaque presented by the President of the  
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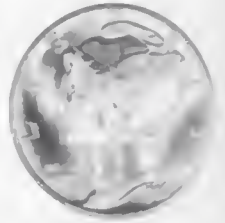
## The 1916 Rarities - and Their Gold 2016 Counterparts

*by Mark Benvenuto*

Unless a collector has his or her head under a rock for quite awhile, they know that 2016 was the year in which a gold "Mercury Dime," a gold "Standing Liberty quarter," and a gold "Walking Liberty half dollar" were produced for the collecting community. They are all centennial proofs. Since 1916 was the year in which the design of the dime, quarter, and half dollar were changed from what we now call the Barber design to this trio that was much more artistically expressive. The time this might be very good for looking into just what we might be able to collect as far as that triumvirate that was actually first unveiled in 1916.

### First the dime

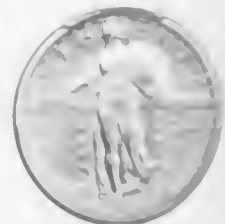
The only invitations sent out for the coin redesign competition that resulted in the three designs first used in 1916 went to established artists, each with a track record that was well established. Mr. Adolph A. Weinman won for both the dime and the half dollar. Virtually all collectors know that 1916-D mercury dime is the jewel in the crown, as it were. The price tags today certainly do reflect that, with even well worn grades costing \$1K. But the 1916 from the main Mint has an enormous mintage, which makes it very affordable, and even the 1916-S can be had in a decent mint state grade for less than \$100.



The new, gold version of this gorgeous dime costs \$210 direct from the mint (at least when we went to the website to check). Is it worth it? Oh my, we're not going to wade into those dangerous waters and predict, this one is each collectors choice. But it is good to know that anyone wanting a 1916 Mere can have that dream come true for very little.

### Second the Quarter

Much like the Mercury dime, the Standing Liberty quarter, the design work of Mr. Hermon MacNeil, has its major rarity right up front. These 1916 quarters were made towards the end of the year - unlike Barber quarters which were made in large amounts throughout that year both in Philadelphia and Denver - and total only 52,000 pieces. As might be expected, this rare and beautiful twenty-five cent piece is pegged in some rather high prices today.



Unlike the Mercury dime, the standing Liberty quarter design went through some alterations as the first year of issue unfolded. There is also gets called a bare-breasted variety of the quarter, and a covered version of

which Lady Liberty's upper torso was now clad in what appears to be chain mail. Both versions came out of three Mints, and all six were made in large enough numbers that they are obtainable in just about any grade. The long-standing collector love affair with any 'S' mint marked coins means that either variety of the 1917-S will cost a bit more than its Denver or Philadelphia counterpart - yet even with that in mind, a collector can snag a good looking specimen in a grade like EF-40 for about \$200.

The modern day gold version of Mr. MacNeil's artistry will cost \$472.50 direct from the Mint (yep, we'll checked that one, too). Once again we will ask if this coin is worth it - and once again will leave the answer to each collector. But if you decide that the new version of the classic is too rich for your blood - it is ½ ounce of gold, after all - its good to know there are plenty of true classics out there from which to choose.

Finally, the half dollar

As mentioned, Mr. Weinman is also a designer of the Walking Liberty half, a design which people are so enamored that it was chosen for the silver bullion Eagles the Mint has been pounding out since 1986. And strangely, in a third example of the same phenomenon, there are a couple of rare varieties right up at the first year issue. The Mercury dime had its low mintage rarity in the 1916-D. The Standing Liberty quarter had its low mintage piece in its 1916. And for the Walking Liberty half, there was relatively low mintage's for the 1916 and 1916-S, as well as a mint mark on the obverse, ended up being moved to the reverse in the middle of 1917. Curiously though, the 1916, with a mintage of 608,000 pieces, is really not too expensive. The 1918-S, with a mintage of 508,000, and yet it carries the higher price tags. It seems to be yet another case of our lasting love affair with that 'S' mint mark.



Even though the Walking Liberty halves started out a bit slower than might be expected, by 1917 the output from Philly had climbed to 12.2 million - and that would be eclipsed several times as the series progressed. There is definitely some potential in finding inexpensive Walking Liberty halves today.

As this is being written, the gold version of this half dollar is not yet available at the Mints website, although there was a truly beautiful image displayed for us eager beavers to pine over. Even though the price is not yet posted, the mass of gold in it is supposed to be the same as the quarter. We can only hope the price tag will reflect that.

Overall?

All things considered, it can be tough to make a complete set of all the dates and mint marks for the Mercury dimes, the Standing Liberty quarter, and the Walking Liberty half dollar. But if a person is a bit creative, is willing to look as those 1917, and is patient in hunting down some good examples of each coin, it is not difficult at all to assemble one of these three coins from first full year of issue. And to add their gold, modern counterparts? Well, that could turn into a truly beautiful collection.

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**INA Membership Meeting      October 9, 2016      Sioux City, IA**

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President Dean Parr called the meeting to order. The minutes were read, Ron Lashmit moved they be approved, John Jackson seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Dean wanted some discussion about utilizing Facebook, such as what is the best way to direct people to appropriate links. What would be some good places to put on there? Any suggestions should be sent to Dean or Brian Sparks.

How can we get more people to participate in our elections, especially the nominating process. We need to be looking towards Outstanding Numismatist nominations.

We announced the members who have reached the 50 year mark

Mrs ME Baer  
Melvin Baum  
James Budd  
George Fowler  
Walter Johnson  
Robert Kelley  
Clarence McKee  
Tom Robertson  
Anne Sanney

Don McCulloch made a motion that we adjourn, Denny seconded and we adjourned.

Beverly Ashton  
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## The U.S. Mint Celebrates the Centennial of Three Iconic Coin Designs

*BJ Searls*

Three of our most beautifully designed coins are celebrating their 100th anniversary this year. To commemorate, the U.S. Mint is releasing these designs in .9999 fine 24-karat gold. PCGS is grading these coins as Special Strikes and has a number of different label options.

### 2016-W Mercury Dime 100th Anniversary PCGS SP70

The gold Mercury Dime, which was released on April 21, is minted in West Point and bears the "W" mint mark. The mintage limit is 125,000. It contains one-tenth troy ounce of 24-karat gold and has a diameter of 16.50 mm, slightly smaller than the silver version. "AU 24K 1/10 OZ." is inscribed on the reverse under the motto, E PLURIBUS UNUM. The original design was that of Adolph A. Weinman, a German born American sculptor. Initially labeled the "Winged Liberty Head," it is now commonly referred to as the Mercury Dime due to Miss Liberty's resemblance to Mercury, the Roman god. The reverse design is a fasces and olive branch, symbols of strength in unity and peaceful intentions.

### 2016-W Standing Liberty Quarter 100th Anniversary PCGS SP70

The second gold centennial is the Standing Liberty Quarter, recently released on September 8. Also minted at West Point, its mintage limit is 100,000. This coin contains one-quarter troy ounce. "AU 24K ¼ OZ." is inscribed on the obverse. Its diameter is 22 mm, again just slightly smaller than the original silver coin, which had a diameter of 24.3. The Standing Liberty Quarter was designed by Hermon A. MacNeil, replacing the Barber quarter. MacNeil was an American sculptor born in Everett, Massachusetts. The original design in 1916 features Liberty with a loose robe about her shoulders, her right breast exposed, her right hand holding an olive branch, her left holding a shield. Thirteen stars border a wall with an opening through which Miss Liberty is stepping. The design was modified in 1917 to a fully clothed Miss Liberty due to the original 1916 controversial design. Interestingly enough, our new gold coin is that of the 1916 design. The reverse of the coin features a flying eagle. In the first design all 13 stars border the rim. The second design locates three of the stars below the eagle and above the denomination.

The last in the centennial series is the Walking Liberty Half Dollar. Long considered by many to be one of America's most beautiful designs, this coin does not yet have a release date. However, the coin is now in production at West Point.



This coin will contain one-half troy ounce of gold and will have a diameter of 27 mm, smaller than the 30.6 mm diameter of the silver version. "AU 24 K OZ" will be inscribed on the reverse under the eagle's talons on the rock ledge. The original Walking Liberty Half Dollar was also the design of Adolph A. Weinman. This beautiful coin features Miss Liberty walking to the left with her right arm swinging forward and her left holding branches of laurel and oak, symbols of civil and military glory. The sun is rising on the lower left and the folds of the stars and stripes fly behind Miss Liberty. The reverse features the majestic eagle, wings unfolded, perched on a rock ledge. Growing out of the rock is a mountain pine, symbolic of America.



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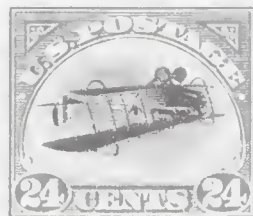
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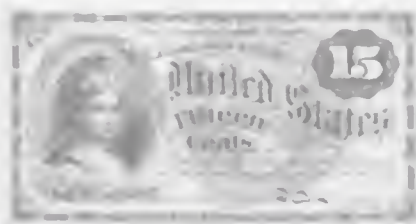
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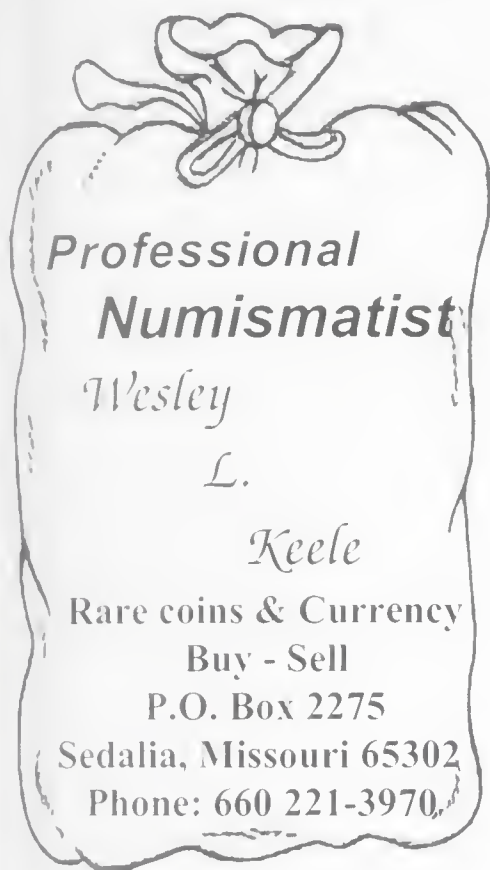
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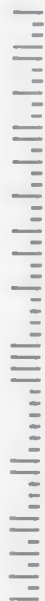
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